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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA '07 NJ 8986.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

Lakisha KINLAW-Capri,

Defendant.

Magistrate Case No.:

COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF

21 U.S.C. § 952 and 960 Importation of a Controlled Substance (Felony)

The undersigned complainant being duly sworn states:

That on or about December 15, 2007 within the Southern District of California, defendant Lakisha KINLAW-Capri, did knowingly and intentionally import approximately 36.34 kilograms (79.94 pounds) of marijuana, a Schedule I Controlled Substance, into the United States from a place outside thereof, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 952 and 960.

The complainant states that this complaint is based on the attached Statement of Facts incorporate herein by reference.

> rosa Special Agent Immigration & Customs Enforcement

SWORN TO BEFORE ME AND SUBSCRIBED IN MY PRASENCE, THIS 17th DAY OF DECEMBER 2007.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

- UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
- Lakisha KINLAW-Capri 2

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- STATEMENT OF FACTS 3
- This complaint is based on the reports, documents, and notes furnished to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent 5 Enrique Torregrosa. 6
- On December 15, 2007, at approximately 1521 hours, Lakisha 7 KINLAW-Capri entered the United States from the Republic of Mexico R via the Calexico, California East Port of Entry. KINLAW made entry 9 into the United States driving a 1987 Honda Accord bearing 10 California U.S. plate number 2DLT669. KINLAW was the driver and 11 sole occupant of the vehicle. 12
- At primary inspection, KINLAW gave an oral negative Customs 13 declaration to Customs and Border Protection Officer (CBPO) A. 14 Lopez. KINLAW stated that she was coming from eating Chinese food 15 in Mexicali, Mexico. KINLAW also stated that she owned the vehicle 16 for about four months and that she was going back home to El 17 Centro, California. CBPO Lopez asked KINLAW, how long did she stay 18 in Mexico, and KINLAW stated that she was there for two days 19 picking up her vehicle. CBPO Lopez asked KINLAW to open the trunk 20 of the vehicle and when she did, CBPO Lopez noticed several 21 packages wrapped with clear plastic hidden within the trunk of the 22 CBPO Lopez hand-cuffed KINLAW and escorted her to the 23 vehicle secondary office for a pat-down. 24
- Upon arrival to the vehicle secondary office, CBPO Lopez 25 conducted a pat-down on KINLAW with negative results. CBPO Lopez 26 turned the inspection to CBPO Ramos. CBPO Ramos also obtained a 27 negative Customs declaration from KINLAW and asked her about her

trip to Mexico and where she was going. KINLAW stated that she was going back home to El Centro, California and that she went to visit her boyfriend in Mexicali. CBP canine Officer Mcgee screened the vehicle utilizing his assigned Human/Narcotic Detector Dog (HNDD).

HNDD alerted to the trunk area of the vehicle.

A subsequent search of the trunk area of the vehicle by CBPO Ramos revealed eight packages concealed within a specially built compartment located under the rear seat and trunk area of the vehicle. The approximate weight of the packages was 36.34 kilograms (79.94 pounds). CBPO Ramos probed one package, which produced a green leafy substance, which field-tested positive for marijuana.

Upon arrival to the Imperial County Jail, Imperial County Correctional Officer Jimenez knew KINLAW and asked her what are you doing here? You just left. KINLAW made a spontaneous respond, "I was bringing weed across the border, about 36.5 pounds".